

## 1 Claims

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3 1. Filter element suitable for filtering electromagnetic  
4 waves, in particular a bandpass filter or band-stop filter,  
5 implemented also as a reflection filter or suchlike, con-  
6 taining

- 7 - a dielectric, cylindrical resonator (1), and  
8 - one or more lines (2, 3) which supply or, as the case  
9 may be draw off electromagnetic waves to/from the di-  
10 electric resonator (1);  
11 - with said lines (2, 3) terminating in a contacting  
12 structure (4, 4a, 4b);

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- 14 - the lines (2; 3) together with their contacting struc-  
15 ture (4, 4a, 4b) form part of a printed-circuit board;  
16 - in that the resonator (1) is supported by said printed-  
17 circuit board (6); and  
18 - in that the resonator (1) is located spaced from the  
19 contacting structure(4, 4a, 4b);  
20 - with a recess (8) being provided in the printed-circuit  
21 board (6) in which recess the resonator (1) is located  
22 by means of a suitable securing means (7).

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24 2. Filter element, where applicable according to Claim 1,  
25 suitable for filtering electromagnetic waves, in particular  
26 a bandpass filter or band-stop filter, implemented also as  
27 a reflection filter or suchlike, containing

- 28 - a dielectric, cylindrical resonator (1), and  
29 - one or more lines (2, 3) which supply or, as the case  
30 may be draw off electromagnetic waves to/from the di-  
31 electric resonator (1);  
32 - with said lines (2, 3) terminating in a contacting  
33 structure (4, 4a, 4b);

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- 2       - a retention area or cover (5) is provided in close prox-  
3       imity to the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b);  
4       - in that the resonator (1) is held in place by the reten-  
5       tion area or, as the case may be, cover (5); and  
6       - in that the resonator (1) is located variably spaced  
7       from the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b);  
8       - with a recess (8) being provided in the retention area  
9       or, as the case may be, cover (5) in which recess the  
10      resonator (1) is located by means of a suitable securing  
11      means (7).

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13    3.   Filter element according to Claim 1 or 2 characterized in  
14       that the recess (8) is dimensioned in such a way as to en-  
15       able the resonator (1) to be fitted or, as the case may be,  
16       mounted in a self-centering manner.

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18    4.   Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 3 character-  
19       ized in that an adhesive or silicon is used as the means  
20       (7) for securing the resonator (1).

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22    5.   Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 4 character-  
23       ized in that each line (2, 3) terminates in each case in a  
24       separately embodied contacting structure (4a, 4b).

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26    6.   Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 4 character-  
27       ized in that two or more lines (2, 3) terminate in a com-  
28       monly embodied contacting structure (4).

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30    7.   Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 6 character-  
31       ized in that the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b) is embod-  
32       ied at least in sections as sickle-shaped.

1 8. Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 6 character-  
2 ized in that the contacting structure (4) is embodied as an  
3 annulus.

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5 9. Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 6 character-  
6 ized in that the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b) is embod-  
7 ied as a circular-arc segment having a variable aperture  
8 angle ( $\alpha$ ) less than  $360^\circ$ ; being in particular approximately  
9  $160^\circ$  when there are two lines; being in particular approxi-  
10 mately  $110^\circ$  when there are three supply lines; being in  
11 particular approximately  $75^\circ$  when there are four lines.

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13 10. Filter element according to one of Claims 1 to 9 character-  
14 ized in that the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b) has lar-  
15 ger dimensions than the cylindrical resonator (1).

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17 11. Filter element according to one of Claims 2 to 9 character-  
18 ized in that the contacting structure (4, 4a, 4b) has  
19 smaller dimensions than the cylindrical resonator (1).

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21 12. Filter element according to one of the preceding Claims  
22 characterized in that the resonator (1) is oriented sub-  
23 stantially to be centered relative to the contacting struc-  
24 ture (4, 4a, 4b).

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26 13. Filter element according to one of the preceding Claims  
27 characterized in that the resonator (1) has an operating  
28 frequency above 18 GHz.

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30 14. Oscillator, in particular for radar systems, LMDS distribu-  
31 tion services, or satellite receivers, containing a filter  
32 element for filtering electromagnetic waves according to  
33 one of the preceding Claims.